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THURSDAY....DECEMBER 18, 1890.

State Laws as to Bankruptcies.

For hundreds of years laws as to insolvents or bankrupts have had place in the codes of various nations. But before the establishment of the United States Government there had never been a duplex or dual form of government such as that which has resulted from our State governments as affected by our national Government.

We have had our doubts as to whether the Federal Government had the power—or at least whether it ought to have the power—to prescribe any duties whatever for the State courts. These doubts have reference not particularly to bankruptcy laws, but to any attempt on the part of the Federal Government to make State officials the servants of Federal officials, or in any way controllable by them. If a State judge's salary cannot be taxed by the United States Government—as has been decided by the Federal courts themselves—a State judge ought not to have any duties of any sort imposed upon him by that Government.

The Federal Constitution speaks with no uncertain sound as to where resides the power to pass a bankrupt law. There can be no doubt that the national Government has full control over "bankruptcies" and laws concerning bankruptcies. The words of that instrument are that "the Congress shall have power to establish * * * uniform laws on the subject of bankruptcy throughout the United States." Whether under this broad grant of power Congress ought to allow the several States to have any hand in disposing of bankruptcy cases is at any rate questionable. For example, to recognize the exemption laws of the several States—that is, exempt whatever these laws exempt—would be to frame anything but a "uniform law." There must be discrimination here. The most effective discrimination would be to allow to the States neither part nor lot in the matter.

We noticed some time ago the memorial of the National Convention of the Representatives of the Commercial Bodies of the United States in favor of the passage of the TORREY bankrupt bill. That bill is not liable to the objection that it concedes too much power to the several States. It is, on the contrary, a bill which seems to promise good results. The memorialists claim that under its operation honest insolvents will be discharged and dishonest ones punished; that the giving and receiving of preferences will be prevented. These points are sufficient of themselves to constitute a good law on the subject of bankruptcies. The practice of allowing bankrupts to prefer their favorite creditors has had a great deal to do with the growing demand for the enactment of a national law concerning insolvents. But bankrupt laws are apt to be unpopular and short-lived. So Congress ought to examine carefully the details of the TORREY or any other bill which may come before the body for its action thereupon.

Half-Way Measures—Again.

The Washington *Post* says that the proposition to hold an international silver conference, suggested in the President's message, is a plan which Senator SHERMAN considers indispensable if there is to be a movement towards the free coinage of silver. Without an international agreement Senator SHERMAN thinks that the free coinage of silver means the demonetization of gold.

Mr. SHERMAN is the champion of the monometallists. He has never been ready to remonetize silver fully. We are not surprised, therefore, to learn that he is in favor of holding an international silver convention before putting silver upon its feet, or the finances of our country upon both feet. We write in the interest of all concerned—bankers, farmers, and workingmen—when we ask for the full remonetization of silver in this country as a preliminary to an international silver convention. Let us fear not to put the matter to the test. Silver will be apt to rise nearly up to par with gold when its coinage is made free. So soon as the financial and other business-men see this result of our legislation—if such a result shall follow—silver will become as good as gold all over the commercial world. This is a prize worth fighting for, and for which we can afford to risk something. On the other hand, if the new law fails to operate as its friends expect it to operate, then the mouths of all the wiseacre financiers will be closed, and Congress can proceed to legislate in the broad light which will have been shed upon the subject by our experience under a free-coinage law. When some years ago Congress passed a law forbidding the sale of gold and silver—that is, as Congress thought, a law to prevent the depreciation of greenbacks and national bank-notes by selling them for gold and silver coin—that body discovered at once that it had made a mistake—that its law had had the effect of depreciating the paper currency more than all the trading in it on Wall street had depreciated it. Congress, therefore, repealed the law forthwith. Its life extended over but a few days.

Let us, therefore, proceed to legislate boldly on the subject of the finances. The country, we repeat, does not need nor expect at our hands any half-way measures. Let us blaze the way for the whole financial world in the matter under consideration.

A State Fair or Exposition.

A meeting of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society will be held on the 22d to elect officers and proceed with the new work demanded by the public.

By the constitution President STARKE is ineligible for reelection. We hope that his successor may be his equal in enthusiasm and capacity. We know of no one but Mr. STARKE who could have reörganized the society, raised the money for the buildings, enlisted the sympathy of the public, and held the Exposition of 1888. It imposed upon him great labor and the expenditure of much time and money, but he achieved a success, and gave to the State the greatest exhibition it ever had. He deserves vast credit, and for our part we shall never hesitate to render it to him.

The condition of the society is that of ownership of a great amount of readily salable real estate, upon which there is a debt of about $40,000. It could sell out tomorrow and have a fund of $100,000 for reinvestment, and probably after holding one or more exhibitions on the present grounds it will be advisable to dispose of them and reinvest in cheaper land.

The momentous question now is the election of officers and then the disposition of the debt, which may be provided for by mortgage or otherwise.

We hope there will be a large attendance of city and country members on the 22d and that all who have opinions will express them boldly. A fair in 1891 is demanded by the best interests of this city, but we ought not to enter upon the project unless we are prepared to forward it with all our might. It should not be begun unless we are prepared to throw into it ample money and energy.

The Chamber of Commerce has appointed a committee of coöperation and the Farmers' Alliances ought, also, to be enlisted in the move, which should be the more easily made since at a fair here in 1891 there can be perfected that organization which will guarantee to Virginia a proper representation at Chicago in 1893.

Richmond is making a mighty struggle for advancement. She is breaking away from the non-progressive folks who have too long held sway over her. Young and sanguine men are needed at the front. Our danger is not from too much enterprise, but from too little. The fire of our ambition dies out before it is fairly kindled. In the new year we have got to adopt modern methods, and the vast expenditure of talk about "our needs" ought to be materialized. The thing for us to do is to lay out new streets, set all of our builders to work on dwellings, stores, and factories, inaugurate new businesses, and advertise ourselves. In this last we continue to be amazingly unmindful of our best interests. A great fair or exposition will advertise us far and wide. That of 1888 was of benefit in this respect, and almost without exception those who attended it said it was creditable to the city and State, while the excellence of the exhibit caused general astonishment. We can do better in 1891. We have the buildings all ready; we have confidence in our capacity to manage such an enterprise, and what is more, the people in and out of the State know that if we will we can make a great success.

At the meeting of the 22d let it be seen if we are in earnest. If we are let us proceed to work.

The French Criminal Judge.

MICHAEL EYRAUD is on trial in Paris for the murder of GOUISSANT GOUFFE on the 27th of last July. GABRIELLE BOMPARD was his accomplice. She enticed deceased into her room, where he proceeded to make love to her. She sportively threw a noose around his neck and they laughed and joked about it and then she passed the ends of the rope through a hole in the partition wall and her lover, there concealed, seized them and drew GOUFFE off the floor, strangling him to death almost instantly.

The prisoner declares that he did not mean to murder the fellow, but purposed only to extort money from him. As it was, however, he was prepared for the emergency. The body was robbed and the clothes destroyed, and then the corpse was butchered up and put into a trunk, which was taken off as a part of the luggage of the woman. EYRAUD and "La Belle GABRIELLE," as she has ever since been called, went off to the United States. In due course both were put in prison; he charged with the actual crime, she as accessory.

EYRAUD, in the course of a statement he made to the Court the day before yesterday, said that GOUFFE was holding GABRIELLE on his knees and caressing her when she slipped the noose over GOUFFE's head and gave the prisoner the preconcerted signal.

Long accounts of the trial are being telegraphed to the papers of the United States, and what strikes the average reader with most amazement is the way the presiding judge denounces, criticises, bulldozes, and sneers at the prisoner, who, however, though confessedly guilty, is able to take care of himself, and answers back with savageness and levity. On Tuesday "the strangler, with eyes fixed upon the floor, answered the questions put to him by President ROBERT, and in these answers he doomed himself to the guillotine. "The audience even laughed in its appreciation when the Judge caught EYRAUD in his questions, and they all listened with strained eagerness to the prisoner's testimony made of the low life he and his accomplice had led."

"Every time the prisoner winced or choked these people leered delightedly in each other's faces." GABRIELLE was removed from the court-room while the principal actor in the affair, EYRAUD, was examined. President ROBERTS's tone as he addressed the wretched EYRAUD was one of stern accusation, and he frequently shook his finger threateningly at the bonded figure before him, gesticulating with both hands as he pictured the enormities of that miserable career. "EYRAUD," said the president, "the accounts of your past life are of the very worst description," and then the judge went on to review the murderer's career of idleness, dissipation, and crime.

The woman accomplice when she came forward to testify was also badgered by the judge, but she had little of the murderer's ferocious spirit and her repartees were quite tame.

This is a trial which interests all Paris and is daily attended by great crowds. None but people of influence can get tickets of admission.

EYRAUD, of course, expects to go to the guillotine, but will be perfectly satisfied, no doubt, if "La Belle GABRIELLE" can be made to accompany him. He says she originated the idea of the murder to rob the victim. She left him at San Francisco and voluntarily returned to Paris and became an informer. Hence his love was turned to hate.

The trial will go on for several days if not weeks.

Mr. Royall's Scheme.

We have been inclined to doubt whether Mr. ROYALL's financial scheme was or was not a practical one. Financial schemes are prone to work out their own results, and we would expect Mr. ROYALL's to do so. However, we have said in another article in this day's paper, all we desired to say on this subject; and freely yield the "right of way" at this point to "MAX."

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

Will you permit one who is not even a "tinker" to thank Mr. Royall for his suggestion on the currency question as published in your issue of the 4th instant?

He has given the "right thought."

Details would have to be adjusted by circumstances, but the plan proposed by him is the proper, permanent, and safe one.

Add this feature to our present national bank system and we would not fear return of these periodical pressures in the money market. Don't let the objection of "*paternal government*" have weight.

Surely a government that is so willing and anxious to assume the care and responsibility of our elective franchises—*e. g.*, the force bill—can without distrust be asked also to guard us against financial distress.

The suggestion of Mr. Royall is by far the most satisfactory yet offered as a solution, not only of present financial embarrassment, but as preventive of future trouble.

A few thinkers like Mr. Royall at our national capital would be an advantage.

"MAX."

The removal of Mr. JOHN RUSSELL YOUNG from the *Herald* staff because he gave a dinner to Judge ROGER A. PRYOR was a severe punishment for a small offence. Now, if he hadn't given the Judge a good dinner Mr. BENNETT might well have taken the ground that the *Herald's* reputation was injured. As it is, YOUNG suffers because of a hereditary grudge of BENNETT against PRYOR.

Judge BOND has raised quite a row among the colored people of Baltimore by declaring that negro youths had better stick to manual labor than rush into the learned professions.

Many well-known members of the race are quite angry with the Judge, but we will warrant that he does not care.

Metaphors are beautiful, but have boomerang propensities. When Mr. PARSONS proceeded to declare that with the black men of the South to-day the question is not so much of politics as of bread, he stepped out of the roadway of triteness and made an original flight by substituting "poultry" for "bread." While his expression is apt and vigorous, it will hardly be appreciated by the people of whom he spoke. The imagery is too suggestive of midnight raids on hen-roosts.

The Richmond Board of Health has done right to accept the United States census as the basis of its calculation of the percentage of mortality here. There was no alternative but to do this or have its work rejected by our people as utterly unworthy of credence.

The enumeration of inhabitants here was very faulty; but incorrect as it was, it was not so far from the facts as the estimate used by the board.

The New York *Herald* offers the senatorship to Mr. DANA, but as the wily old editor suspects that this is a move to impair his influence as a newspaper-man, he has not yet signified his acceptance of the honor.

The New York *World* says there was some resemblance in features and figures between SITTING BULL and Mr. PATRICK WALSH, of the Augusta (Ga.) *Chronicle*.

A bad Indian made "a good Indian" of SITTING BULL. He was killed by one of his own race.

THE ACCIDENTAL FATAL SHOTGUN.

Two More Victims Added to the Long List—Election of Officers.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

FREDERICKSBURG, December 16, 1890.

Information reached here to-day of a painful and possibly fatal accident which happened to Mr. Verna Graves in the upper portion of this county on last Thursday evening.

Mr. Graves had been hunting, and in getting off the horse the hammer of the gun struck the saddle, causing it to go off, the entire load of bird-shot entering Mr. Graves's right shoulder, terribly lacerating it. Medical aid was immediately summoned and all attention possible is being given him, but the wound is thought to be fatal.

STILL ANOTHER.

Another victim was Moses Self, aged about fifteen years, of Richmond county, who was dangerously shot by the accidental discharge of a gun, which had become entangled in the wheels of an ox-cart which he was driving. The entire load entered his right side. His case is almost hopeless.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Rappahannock Valley Agricultural and Mechanical Society held here this evening the following officers for the ensuing term were elected: President, S. W. Corbin, of Caroline; Secretary, S. J. Quinn, of this city; Treasurer, R. W. Adams, of this city. All the old directors and vice-presidents were re-elected except Messrs. Corbin and Quinn, their places being filled as directors by Mr. C. H. Pierson and A. P. Rowe, Jr., the late president and secretary, respectively, both of whom declined re-election.

M'GREGOR—WOODWARD.

Miss Alice Woodward and Mr. M. N. McGregor, both of Stafford county, were quietly married in the presence of a few friends in the Presbyterian chapel here this morning at 11 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. Dr. James P. Smith.

Mr. James A. Daffin, a highly-respected citizen of Stafford, died at his residence, in that county, last night; aged seventy years. He leaves four children and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss.

PERSONALS.

Lieutenant George R. Fitzhugh, Esq., and Judge Henry Souther left to-night for a business trip to Frankfort, Ky.

Mr. Rufus B. Merchant, editor of the *Star*, left this evening for Asheville, N. C., to attend the Interstate Immigration Convention, which convenes in that city to-morrow.

Mrs. J. R. Ellerson, of Richmond, is visiting relatives in this city.

A HIGHLAND DROVE OF TURKEYS.

One Thousand Started from Monterey—A "Land Flowing with Milk and Honey."

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

MONTEREY, VA., December 15, 1890.

This morning Bishop Brothers started, on foot, 1,000 turkeys from this place to Staunton, a distance of forty-six miles. From Staunton they will be shipped North. Almost the entire population of Monterey was seen on the street when the well-marshalled drove started.

A PROLIFIC COUNTY.

Highland county has a large surplus income, if we are to judge from the many thousand fat beeves that are driven out, the tons of butter, eggs, and poultry that are shipped, besides the deer and bear. Fifteen deer were brought in from the Alleghanies to-day.

For two weeks past the weather has been quite cold here, with many wind-storms, some of which were quite violent. Ice-houses could have been filled, if such a thing was needed here.

LUTHER CHAPEL CONSECRATED.

The Mission Church in the Mt. Tabor Parish Free of Debt.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

GREENVILLE, VA., December 15, 1890.

Luther Chapel, a mission church of the historic Mt. Tabor parish, near Staunton, was consecrated free from debt yesterday. Rev. J. E. Bushnell, synodical missioner, of Roanoke, preached the consecration sermon. Rev. James Willis, principal of Staunton Female Seminary, assisted in this interesting service. The pastor, Rev. G. W. Spriggle, is a native of Salem and graduated at Roanoke College. The Mt. Tabor church was rebuilt last year, and is one of the finest country churches in the South.

ROBERTSON - CAMPBELL NUPTIALS.

Eighteen Inches of Snow on the Trans-Alleghany Mountains.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

HINTON, W. VA., December 17.—Captain W. O. Robertson and Miss Virginia Campbell were married at the Riverside Hotel on the 16th instant at 7 P. M. They left on No. 2 for Staunton and other points in Virginia.

Snow has fallen here to the depth of eighteen inches and is still falling. The trains must of necessity be blocked.

Fatal Row at a Hog-Killing.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

GREENWOOD, December 15, 1890.

To-day Press Gordon and Harrison Lanter (both colored) were assisting Charles Croff (colored) in a hog-killing. After it was over they went in to dinner and Lanter cursed Press's sister about some pepper. During the dispute Press took up the difficulty. Harrison had his shotgun with him. He left the house cursing Press, who followed to know why he was abusing him, when Lanter turned and shot him, killing him instantly. Lanter was arrested and will be taken to jail to-morrow.

Colonel Henry Edmundson Dead.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

SHAWSVILLE, VA., December 17.—Colonel Henry Edmundson died last night at 11 o'clock, in his seventy-seventh year. Truly a courageous man has fallen, one who would have done his utmost to serve his State.

How Mr. H. K. Ellyson Started Tobacco Reports.

Southern Tobacco Journal.

It has been years ago since we came into more intimate contact with the late lamented H. K. Ellyson. The *Dispatch* needed regular tobacco reports of our market. Mr. Ellyson insisted that they were needed and should be had. It was under his perseverance that we were led by friends, and encouraged by himself, to make weekly, then semi-weekly, and afterwards, as now, daily reports of our tobacco market for the *Dispatch*. Mr. Ellyson's manner in correction and occasional praise gave us courage to keep up the work and his words of praise of the last January 1st report linger in our ears as a pleasant reminiscence. He pronounced the report "excellent." It was thus that other journals took up a like work and the tobacco trade of Richmond was advertised as it never had been before.

The Gould-Sage Terminal.

It is reported that the Gould-Sage party have lately purchased $500,000 of Richmond Terminal 5's, and that ex-Mayor Hewitt has bought $250,000 of the same bonds. The price is not stated.

Gifts Are Costly.

To give at Christmas time is right
I do not doubt at all;
But blessed, blessed is the wight
Whose family is small.

Swellings in the neck and all other forms of scrofula, salt-rheum, etc., are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THE MONEY IS PAID.

A COTTON- AND A PHOSPHATE-MILL TO START IN RALEIGH, N. C.

Unfounded Reports About Polk's Candidacy for Public Printer—Inmates of the Soldiers' Home Increasing.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 17.—One hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars was to-day subscribed here for a cotton-mill in South Raleigh, the new manufacturing suburb. Forty thousand dollars was also subscribed for a phosphate-mill. These amounts are all that are needed to put these enterprises under way. W. G. Upchurch and other Raleigh capitalists are the subscribers. The company has purchased two hundred acres of land and next week the sites for these mills will be chosen.

A BRANCH ROAD.

The directors of the North Carolina railway have made arrangements with the Richmond and Danville railway for the construction of a branch road through the property.

UNFOUNDED REPORTS.

Rumors are current that L. L. Polk will be a candidate for the public printing. Your correspondent is positively assured to-night that the reports are unfounded.

A LARGER BUILDING.

The Executive Committee of the Confederate Soldiers' Home to-day arranged for the base of a larger building, which is made necessary by the increasing number of inmates.

Snow began falling here before daylight this morning, but ceased in five hours. Rain followed and by noon the snow had disappeared. East of here no snow fell, but west there was quite a heavy fall.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS.

Thousands of negroes from the turpentine orchards of Georgia and South Carolina are pouring into the State to spend the holidays.

THE N. C. METHODIST CONFERENCE.

The Appointments of the New Pastors for the Several Districts.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

WILSON, N. C., December 16, 1890.

The Conference on Monday, after disposing of all matters of importance before it, wound up the forty-first session by the announcement of the following appointments for the ensuing year:

RALEIGH DISTRICT—*Rev. J. A. Cunninggim, D. D., Presiding Elder.*—Edenton-Street, Rev. J. H Cordon, D. D.; Central, L. L. Nash, D. D.; Brooklyn, C. O. Du Rant; Cary, P. L. Herman; Rolesville, B. C. Allred; Buckhorn, E. Pope; Tar-River Circuit, G. W. Fisher; Oxford, R. F. Bumpass; Oxford Circuit, J. H. Hall; Louisburg, J. B. Hurley; Clayton, J. J. Barker; Dunn, J. D. Pegram; Youngsville, R. H. Whitaker, D. D.; Franklinton Circuit, E. L. Pell; Henderson, W. L. Cunninggim; Granville Circuit, V. A. Sharpe; Newton Grove, Judson Vernon. Editor Raleigh *Christian Advocate*, Rev. Dr. F. L. Reid. Superintendent Oxford Orphan Asylum, Rev. W. S. Black, D. D.

DURHAM DISTRICT—*Rev. E. A. Yates, D. D., Presiding Elder.*—Trinity, Durham, R. J. Moorman; Main-Street, Durham, F. A. Bishop; Carr, Durham, O. Ryder; Durham Circuit, Dr. J. Sandford; Hillsboro' Circuit, J. E. Bristowe; Chapel Hill, E. H. Davis; Leesburg, J. W. North, D. D.; Roxboro', T. N. Ivey; Mt. Tirzah, J. E. Underwood; Burlington, D. L. Earnhardt; Person Circuit, supplied by E. E. Rose; Alamance, J. B. Martin; Yanceyville, L. E. Thompson; Milton, J. H. Shore; Haw River, L. L. Johnson; Pittsboro', N. E. Coltrane; Siler City Circuit, W. H. Townsend; Agent of Colportage and Sunday Schools, T. J. Gattis.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT—*J. T. Gibbs, Presiding Elder.*—Hay-Street and Campbellton, W. H. Moore and E. C. Sell; Cumberland Circuit, H. McK. Jackson; Maxton and Caledonia, S. V. Hoyle; Maxton Circuit, W. J. Crowson; Lumberton Circuit, F. B. McCall; Laurinburg station, W. B. Doub; St. John's station, J. T. Lyon; Rockingham station, M. L. Wood; Rockingham Circuit, H. G. Stamey; Richmond Circuit, R. H. Broom; Manly Circuit, L. M. Chaffin; Carthage Circuit, J. A. Hornaday; Jonesboro' Circuit, J. E. Thompson; Cape Fear Circuit, W. S. Chaffin; Lillington Circuit, John A. Rouse; Reep-River Circuit, A. D. Betts; Mt. Gilead Circuit, G. B. Perry; Pekin Circuit, L. S. Etheridge; Asbury Circuit, D. A. Futrell; Prospect Circuit, N. L. Seabolt.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT—*F. D. Steindell, Presiding Elder.*—Grace-Street (Wilmington), W. S. Creasy, D. D.; Fifth-Street (Wilmington), R. C. Beaman; Bladen-Street (Wilmington), J. R. Sawyer; Scott's-Hill Circuit, H. B. Anderson; Keg-Circuit, R. L. Warwick; Clinton Circuit, nansville Circuit; W. A. Forbes; Magnolia J. M. Ashby; Sampson Circuit, Daniel Reed; Cokesbury, Philip Greening; Bladen Circuit, D. C. Geddie; Elizabeth Circuit, —— Parker; Carver's-Creek Circuit, W. B. Moore; Whiteville Circuit, C. W. Smith; Waccamaw Circuit, T. J. Browning; Southport Circuit, C. P. Jerome; Brunswick Circuit, J. B. Thompson; Brunswick Mission, to be supplied by J. M. Malone; Robeson Circuit, N. M. Jurney.

NEWBERNE DISTRICT—*W. S. Rone, Presiding Elder.*—Centenary (Newberne), R. A. Willis; Hancock-Street (Newberne), T. P. Ricaud; St. Paul (Goldsboro'), R. R. Hall; St. John (Goldsboro'), M. M. McFarland; Goldsboro' Circuit, M. D. Hix; Fremont Circuit, W. W. Rose; Mt. Olive Circuit, M. H. Tuttle; Kinston, F. M. Shamburger; Snow Hill Circuit, J. T. Abernathy; La Grange Circuit, A. R. Raven; Craven Circuit, J. D. Johnson; Jones Circuit, R. B. Gilliam; Onslow Circuit, ——; Morehead Circuit, N. M. Watson; Beaufort Circuit, George F. Smith; Carteret Circuit, T. C. Lovin; Pamlico Circuit, supplied by F. S. Rector; Straits Circuit, G. W. Stallings; Core Sound Mission, to be supplied by John Dixon.

WARRENTON DISTRICT—*Rev. S. D. Adams, Presiding Elder.*—Warrenton Circuit, A. McCullen; R. O. Burton, supernumerary; Warren Circuit, B. B. Culbreth; T. B. Reeks, supernumerary; Ridgeway, J. W. Jenkins; Littleton, R. P. Troy; Weldon, J. A. Lee; Halifax, W. L. Grissom; Battleboro' and Whitaker's, G. T. Simmons; Rocky Mount and Tolsnot, J. O. Guthrie; Nashville, J. A. Green; Wilson, John N. Cole; Wilson Circuit, J. S. Usry; Kenly Circuit, W. F. Galloway; Northampton, L. J. Holden; Murfreesboro', F. M. Edwards; Garysburg, ——; Bertie, Z. T. Harrison; Harrellsville, supplied by William Grant; Meherrin, J. H. M. Giles.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT—*G. A. Oglesby, Presiding Elder.*—Washington, W. S. Davis; Tarboro', D. H. Tuttle; Bethel, E. C. Glenn; Williamston and Hamilton, G. G. Harley; Greenville, R. B. John; Greenville Circuit, R. F. Taylor; Jamesville, N. H. Guyton; Vanceboro' Circuit, J. W. Gurganus; Aurora, W. F. Galloway; Bath, W. T. Everton; Plymouth, J. W. Robinson; Columbia, B. B. Holder; Mattamuskeet, C. F. Sherrill; Fairfield, J. G. Nelson; Swan Quarter, T. J. Daily; Ocracoke, G. D. Langston; Kenneketet, H. Cole; Dare, I. A. White; Kitty Hawk Mission, supplied by S. Payne.

COLORED FEDERAL FENSIONERS.

Their Prosperity in and Around Halifax, N. C.—Negroes Against Labor-Agents.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., Dec. 17, 1890.

There have been quite a number of pensions paid to colored people in this community by the Government. Some living a few miles in the country have as fine residences as the white people about them and own the land they live on. They are doing well as farmers and show progress in their work.

NEGRO INDEPENDENCE.

The negroes of Tarboro' have three organized clubs to keep labor-agents from taking them away, and the agents steer clear of them. Your correspondent was told by a company of negroes here yesterday that they were going to organize against labor-agents here. The colored people say that they are freemen in a free country, and when they wish to move away they will go of their own accord, and thus maintain their self-respect; or if they wish any agents to come and box them up in cars and carry them away like cattle they will let the agents know when they are ready.

A new pension has been granted a colored man here, and within the last few days he has purchased a handsome little farm for cash, and your correspondent yesterday saw a fine horse that he bought from Briggs & Johnson, for which he paid cash.

THE POOR CONFEDERATES.

The pension warrants are also ready for the Confederate soldiers, and the money will be paid them very soon. It is now considerably more than it has been, but only something over $50 annually.

Mr. W. P. White, of Hobgood, was seriously hurt a few days ago by being thrown from a horse. Several of his teeth were knocked out and his jawbone was slightly broken and thrown out of place.

Rev. J. L. Love has resigned as pastor of the Baptist church in Rocky Mount to accept the secretaryship of the Sunday-School Board of North Carolina for that denomination.

PATTERSON—MANNING.

Miss Lucy Manning, one of Henderson's brightest young ladies, and who has relatives and many admiring friends here, was to-day married at her home in Henderson to Mr. Patterson, of this county.

SPECIAL SALE OF OVERCOATS AND PANTS.

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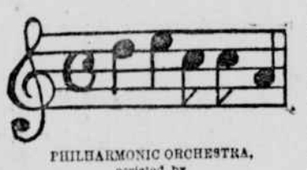

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